

AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWING:

Please see attached Figure 135.

REMARKS

In the Office Action of June 14, 2006, the Examiner objected to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.83(a); rejected claims 137-146, 148, and 149 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-7 and 9 of U.S. Patent 6,950,384 to Arai et al.; and objected to claim 147 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

By this Amendment, Applicants amend the specification, add new Figure 135, and amend claims 137 and 139-142. Applicants respectfully submit that pending claims 137 through 149 are in condition for allowance.

New Figure 135 and the corresponding amendments to the specification address and overcome the Examiner's objection to the drawing.

Although Applicants may disagree with the obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claims 137-146, 148, and 149, to advance prosecution, Applicants file a Terminal Disclaimer with this response. Applicants thus request reconsideration and withdrawal of the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

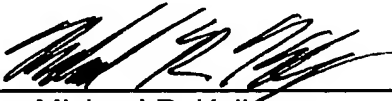
The filing of the Terminal Disclaimer does not manifest an admission by Applicants as to the propriety of the double patenting rejection. See M.P.E.P. § 804.02 citing Quad Environmental Technologies Corp. v. Union Sanitary District, 946 F.2d 870, 20 USPQ2d 1392 (Fed. Cir. 1991). Applicants reserve the right to traverse the double patent rejection at a later date.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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